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In re application of

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PROCESS FOR PREPARING A H₂-RICH
GAS AND A CO₂-RICH GAS AT HIGH
PRESSURE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title of the invention, please insert

--This application is a 371 application of PCT/NO99/00280 filed September 14, 1999.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims as indicated:

3(amended). Method according to claim 1,
characterized in that the ratio H₂O:CO in the shift process is from 1 to 9.

4(amended). Method according to claim 1,
characterized in that the ratio H₂O:CO in the shift process preferably is from 1.5 to 4.